



MICHIGAN
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Wednesday, May 16th, 2018 4:00 p.m. Room 352 State Capitol Building

Representative Cox, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Chair Cox requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Reps. Cox, VerHeulen, Kelly, Pagel, Victory, Afendoulis, Bizon, Canfield, Inman, Miller, Allor, Brann, Hernandez, LaSata, Marino, VanSingel, Whiteford, Yaroach, Durhal, Cochran, Faris, Kosowski, Yanez, Hoadley, Pagan, LaGrand, Peterson, Rabhi, and Santana.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Representative VanSingel moved to approve the minutes of the May 9th, 2018 meeting. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 5985 before the committee:

HB 5985 (VerHeulen) Criminal procedure; indigent defense; Michigan indigent defense commission; modify.

Representative VerHeulen and Marcus Coffin, representing the House Fiscal Agency, introduced the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Adam Carlson, representing the State Budget Office, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Shelli Weisberg, representing the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan, testified with a neutral position on the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Loren Khogali, Mike Puerner, and John Shea, representing the Michigan Indigent Defense Committee, testified on the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Noah Smith, representing the Criminal Defense Attorneys of Michigan, submitted a testimony card with a neutral position on the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Amy Gumbrecht, representing Wayne County, and Brett Marr, representing Oakland County, submitted testimony cards in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Jim Miller, representing the City of Grand Rapids, submitted a testimony card in support of the

bill, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Durhal commented on the bill.

Representative VerHeulen moved to adopt substitute (H-1) for HB 5985. The motion prevailed by a vote of 29-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Cox, VerHeulen, Kelly, Pagel, Victory, Afendoulis, Bizon, Canfield, Inman, Miller, Allor, Brann, Hernandez, LaSata, Marino, VanSingel, Whiteford, Yarocho, Durhal, Cochran, Faris, Kosowski, Yanez, Hoadley, Pagan, LaGrand, Peterson, Rabhi, and Santana.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative VerHeulen moved to report HB 5985, with recommendation, as substitute (H-1). The motion prevailed by a vote of 18-7-4.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Cox, VerHeulen, Kelly, Pagel, Victory, Afendoulis, Canfield, Inman, Miller, Allor, Brann, Hernandez, LaSata, Marino, VanSingel, Whiteford, Yarocho, and LaGrand.

Nays: Reps. Bizon, Durhal, Cochran, Faris, Kosowski, Yanez, and Rabhi.

Pass: Reps. Hoadley, Pagan, Peterson, and Santana.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 4:52 p.m.

Representative Cox, Chair

Matthew Carnagie
Committee Clerk
May 16th, 2018

Date Approved and Signed